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Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2005 11:27 PM
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Cc: yscuba@californiadivers.com; John Wolfe
Subject: [Fwd: "Option 2" Array]

Dear Mike and Staff,

As mentioned in discussions with you, Jesus Ruiz, myself and John Wolfe at last week's CCRSG meeting, we wish to keep an array containing an intact Ricketts Reserve "on the table." Due to my participation in an all-day meeting and inability to exchange email, this message had to go out before I was able to officially indicate my endorsement of all the details. I wish I'd been able to put my name on as one of the first three RSG sponsors, rather than the 12th.

This array has my full support and sponsorship. I'm glad that you and staff have encouraged us to support multiple arrays, so I can continue my support of the "conservation" array as well.

Thanks for all your hard work as we get down to the finish line in the RSG.

Sincerely,
Marc Shargel

Dear Mike,

As per our conversation this morning, our intent is to submit a different array of MPA concepts from that of the "Conservation Array." Please name this array, simply: "Option 2". This is not simply a "diver" options, but has support from other stakeholders. It was our intent to have this "Option 2" Array evaluated by the Science Advisory Team But, as you have stated, the statistical difference would be insignificant to make it worth the effort. However, we do wish to move this option forward and to receive consideration before the BRTF. The difference in the two arrays are as follows:

1. The area from the Breakwater in Monterey to the East boundary of Hopkins Marine Reserve should be considered a State Marine Reserve. This differs from the "Conservation Array", in that the area between the Chart House Restaurant and the East Boundary of Hopkins was proposed as a SMCA allowing for the commercial extraction of kelp. This would make the area between the Breakwater to Lover's Point, out to 60 feet all State Marine Reserve.
2. The northern "East-West" boundary of the Point Lobos State Marine Reserve has been proposed in the "Conservation Array" as N 360 31.6 to honor the diver's commitment to the spot prawn fishermen. Note that this compromise by divers loses very important pinnacles and canyon wall. Therefore, we wish to move the adjacent Outer Pt. Lobos SMCA Northern boundary a little farther north to protect this area. We wish to push the north end of the Outer Pt Lobos SMCA northward to N 360 32.0. The Eastern end of this boundary would then just run into the North- South boundary of the Proposed Pt. Lobos SMR.
3. This array includes the Morro Bay changes submitted by Marla Morrissey.

As of this writing, the following stakeholders are in support of having this "Option 2" array evaluated by the SAT and moving the array forward. This is not an intent to replace the "Conservationist " array, or to choose one over the other. This is in support for both arrays to be considered and moved forward.

1. Jesús C. Ruiz
2. John R. Wolfe
3. John Pearse
4. Don Canestro
5. John Alioti
6. Dan Davis
7. Gordon Hensley
8. Marla Morrissey
9. Jim Webb
10. D'Anne Albers

Respectfully,
Jesús C. Ruiz

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I've created this email address specifically to accept correspondence on marine reserves, MLPA, and related issues. Please send comments and questions to:
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For more information on the creation of marine reserves along the Central Coast, see: <http://www.CaliforniaMarineReserves.org>